Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative Report to Councilmember Tim Burgess April 7, 2010 Update

1. Enrolled Youth: Neighborhood Networks contracted for 800 youth enrolled in the Initiative

As of February 28, 2010 there were **653 youth enrolled in the Initiative**. The breakdown of these youth is as follows:

Network	Central	Southeast	Southwest	Total
Enrolled with ID	166	241	246	653

In 2010, referrals have come in at about 50 per month. Network contracts are being amended to manage intake and prevent enrolling more youth than the system has capacity to serve.

Case Management: Contracted to serve 385 youth in 2010 (includes 2009 carry-over)

As of February 28, 2010, 403 youth have been referred to Initiative-funded case management agencies. Of these, 250 youth have completed intake and assessment with 230 of them setting goals and signing a service plan. Each case management agency is responsible for youth achieving indicators based on their individual service plans (ISP). As of the reporting date, 67 unduplicated youth have achieved an indicator. The overall contract goal is for 65% of case managed youth who have an ISP will achieve at least on indicator.

An additional 58 youth have been referred to our partner agency El Centro de la Raza. Of those youth, 26 have an ISP.

Neighborhood Network: Network Summary

Reporting Period: July 1, 2009 - February 28, 2010

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				Unduplicated Youth who
		Intake &	Signed Service	have achieved an
Case Management Agency	Referrals	Assessment	Plan	Indicator
Atlantic Street Center	78	44	44	13
Center for Career Alternatives	86	46	37	9
Consejo	56	35	31	5
Powerful Voices	30	22	17	3
SafeFutures Youth Center	30	28	26	18
Southwest Youth & Family				
Services	123	75	75	19
SUBTOTAL	403	250	230	67
Partner Agency				
El Centro de la Raza	58	26	26	0
GRAND TOTAL	461	276	256	67

2. A.R.T.: Southwest Youth and Family Services

Aggression Replacement Training (A.R.T.) is a 30-hour classroom program, taught by two certified A.R.T. Trainers to groups of 8 – 12 youth. Classes are scheduled three days a week for a period of 10 weeks. A.R.T. is broken down into three segments: **Anger control** – participants learn what triggers their anger and how to control it; **Skill-streaming behavior** – participants learn a series of pro-social skills through modeling, role playing, and performance feedback; and **Moral reasoning** – participants work through cognitive conflict through "dilemma discussion groups."

2009 A.R.T. Summary

- Four classes were offered; one at Southwest Interagency School, one at SEYFS and two at SWYFS
- Three classes were held; one at Southwest Interagency School, one at SEYFS and one at SWYFS
- Two classes were completed; one at Southwest Interagency School and one at SWYFS

2009 Milestones and Performance Commitments	Actual	Contract Total
# youth referred	55	55
# youth enrolled	34	40
# of youth who complete A.R.T.	10	30

2010 A.R.T. Summary (Current Status)

- Two classes have been offered; one via Southwest Expressions at SWYFS and one at Denny Middle School
- One class offered for SE Network at Atlantic Street Center; A.R.T. Orientation is scheduled for April 15, 2010
- Three classes will be offered in the summer time; two at SWYFS and one in SE or Central Seattle

Milestones and Performance Commitments	Actual	Contract Total
# Referred	29	128
# Enrolled	27	96
# of youth who complete A.R.T.	tbd	67

3. Mentoring: Contracts with the 4C Coalition and Big Brothers Big Sisters.

The 4C Coalition provides community-based mentoring in community settings with Initiative-eligible youth who are involved in the juvenile justice system or are victims of violence. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Puget Sound (BBBS) provides site-/community-based mentoring of Initiative-eligible middle school-aged youth who are at risk of multiple suspensions for violent incidents or chronic truancy. Both contracts are outcome-based and began in July 2009.

Reporting Period: 1/7/09 – 2/28/10

	4C Coalition		Big Brothers Big Sisters	
Milestones and Performance				
Commitments (shaded)	Actual	Contract Goal	Actual	Contract Goal
Referrals Received	84	55	43	n/a
Matches Made	15	45	11	68
Matches Lasting 3 Months	7	34	3	63
Matches Lasting 6 Months	n/a	23	n/a	45
Matches Lasting 12 Months*	n/a	5	n/a	2

• Based on number of matches made by December 2009.

4. <u>Department of Parks & Recreation Youth Centers:</u>

All three Extended Hours Programs are being implemented in the SYVPI neighborhoods. The following chart notes start dates of the programs and the youth served by each site to date (duplicated numbers).

Center	Start Date	Total Number of Participants (duplicated)	Total Number of Initiative Enrolled Participants (duplicated)
Garfield Teen Life Center	September 20, 2009	604	309
Rainier Community Center	January 25, 2010	252	98
Southwest Teen Center	February 8, 2010	17	NA
TOTAL		937	407

Parks' "Power of Place" Youth Violence Prevention Team developed and implemented, or partnered to deliver, specific programs designed to serve Initiative-eligible youth. The following chart lists these programs, implemented between June-September 2009 and the number of youth who participated in them.

Youth Center Program	# Youth
Summer Youth Training and Skills Building Workshop	35
Langston Hughes Citywide Youth Summer Musical	40
SYEP Young Actors Studio	15
Renton Youth Source Employment Program	5
SYEP Summer Musical Employment	8
Parks' Resources Employment	3
YOUTH-FIT Interns - 2 Lead Actress, 2-Carpentry, 2-Surveys,	8
2-Stage Management	
Youth-Made Program Planning Workshop	60
TOTAL	174

5. Neighborhood Matching Fund: Five projects awarded funding in January 2010 cycle.

In 2009, 219 youth were served by 13 Neighborhood Matching Fund projects.

A new RFP was issued in January 2010 and five projects were selected for this round of NMF funding. A joint orientation for the SYVPI-NMF awardees was held on March 31 to strengthen the linkages and referral process between NMF and the Youth Violence Prevention Initiative. Once contracts are signed, they will begin implementation. Neighborhood Networks are set to refer Initiative youth to these NMF projects.

For 2010, the following chart lists the first round of awards of Neighborhood Matching Fund grants for the Initiative.

Project Name	Organization	Grant
January Round		
1-2-3 Man Up- Loyal to Life Youth	Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle	\$12,000
Academy		
Alternative to Violence Project	African Community Economic Development	\$18,900
Chief Sealth Mural Project	West Seattle YMCA @ Chief Sealth	\$5,000
Got It Right! No Excuses Project	Dog Face, Inc Training Program	\$14,700
Southeast Violence Prevention	Changing Habits and Motivating Personal	\$12,000
Community Resource Conference	Self-esteem (CHAMPS) Resource and	
	Service Center	
TOTAL		\$62,600

6. **Sustaining Projects**:

\$75,000 funded three Sustaining Projects, Game Recognize Game, Youth 180 and the Black on Black Crime Prevention Coalition (BBCPC), in 2009. A total of 75 SYVPI-eligible youth enrolled in short-term projects and had the opportunity to earn stipends. Of the 75 youth who enrolled, 49 youth achieved at least one indicator. Additionally, the sustaining projects worked with the Nonprofit Assistance Center (NAC) to complete sustainment plans.

7. School Emphasis Officers

The SEO component was launched last spring with a focus on conflict mediation, mentoring and referrals to the Initiative. To date the officers, working in Mercer, Washington, Denny and Aki Kurose Middle Schools, have reported the following:

Activity	Amount
Mediations	98
Referrals to the Initiative	91
Out of Network Referrals	18
Home Visits	45

8. Employment:

In 2009, 245 youth were placed in internships or employment training programs. Most of these were summer internships and some continued throughout the year. Of the 245, 215 successfully completed their assignment representing an 88% completion rate. This summer, the Initiative is planning to provide approximately 330 internships, job training, or pre-employment training services to Initiative-enrolled youth. We are currently in the recruitment and application phase.

The types of placements planned for 2010 are listed below.

Activity	Participant Slots Available
SYEP Summer Internships	80
SYEP School Year Program (academic-focused services)	20
Out-of-School Youth Services (services focused on out-	
of-school but not limited to that group)	
Center for Career Alternatives	15
Metrocenter YMCA	15
King County Superior Court/Minority Business and	30
Youth Alliance	
SYEP Group Projects	
Powerful Voices	20
Southwest Youth and Family Services	10
New in 2010	
SYEP Tier 2 Internships	20
SPS-CWEST	15
Service Learning/Pre-employment	(70-105) 90
Youth Venture Social Entrepreneurship	15
TOTALS	330

SYEP currently has 16 Initiative youth enrolled in the school year program. These youth successfully completed their summer placement in 2009, applied for and were accepted to the year-round program. During the school year, youth are provided academic support (i.e., tutoring, monitoring of grades/attendance, school advocacy), work-readiness training and workshops, case management, field trips and other activities. Paid internships may be offered to a limited number of youth who demonstrate work-readiness as well as stability in their academic performance.